



## **INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF CITIES AND TOWNS**

The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) was established in 1891 to provide Indiana municipal officials a means to congregate, educate and advocate their interests before the state and federal governments. Indiana is one of the first states to form a municipal association, and IACT has a rich tradition of serving municipal government and elected officials. A not-for-profit organization, IACT represents municipalities before state lawmakers, and provides education and information to members. With more than 460 municipalities as members, IACT is the official voice of municipal government in Indiana.

### **Thursday/Friday Breakout Session Information:**

**Breakout Session #1 (Thursday)**–*"Winners with Best Practices in Making a Greener Community"* This session will feature the successful work of two rural Indiana communities who have organized and built an infrastructure that addresses quality of place issues.

**Breakout Session #2 (Thursday)**–*"Resources for a Greener Community"* session will share information and examples of resources available (e.g. technical support and financial tools) to sustain a green initiative in your community.

**Breakout Session #3 (Friday)**–*"Getting on the Plane"–Trade Missions* will answer questions related to how and why trade missions are important to the local Indiana rural economy and how a community might strategize to represent themselves when opportunities arise with overseas investments. This session will touch on a number of important questions officials need to have answered in order to decide whether a trade mission is right for your community.

**Breakout Session #4 (Friday)**–*"Successes and Best Practices of Landing Foreign Investment in Your Community"* will highlight real world examples and best practices from a panel who have experience the successes and challenges of business attraction from overseas companies.